LOG OF MEETING



DIRECTORATE FOR ENGINEERING SCIENCES

SUBJECT: Sleep Products Safety Council (SPSC) Mattress

Flammability Meeting

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DATE OF MEETING: June 5, 2003

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SUMMARY OF MEETING:

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CPSC ATTENDEES:

The Sleep Products Safety Council (SPSC) requested to meet with CPSC staff to discuss various issues relating to the mattress standard development process. The SPSC discussed their plan to conduct an inter-laboratory study of the full-scale test method using the NIST burners. Possible laboratories were identified and the timing and costs involved to conduct an interlaboratory study were discussed.

Several issues pertaining to pass/fail criteria were raised. Topics included recent observations from previous test work, such as over-pressurization and mattress seam strength, and considerations for setting pass/fail criteria, such as total heat release.

SPSC raised several questions regarding testing and compliance. Specific questions about pooling, prototyping, and certification were asked of CPSC staff. These topics will be discussed in further detail as the standard development process progresses and data is evaluated to justify such rationale.



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